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REQUEST OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO CONDUCT ORAL CROSS-EXAMINATION OF FGFSA WITNESS BALL

In accordance with Rule 30(e)(3) of the Rules of Practice and Procedure, the United States Postal Service hereby requests permission to conduct light oral cross-examination of FGFSA witness Ball concerning facts and opinions in his testimony (FGFSA-T-1), and his responses to designated interrogatories.

Respectfully submitted,

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

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